

EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF JIC 146th MEETING HELD ON

13 AUGUST 1946

2. POST-WAR AVAILABILITY OF JANIS TO GEOGRAPHIC AND OTHER PROFESSIONS.

ADMIRAL INGLIS felt that the services should not release any of these JANIS publications. He said that in the chapters which the Navy had contributed to JANIS, it had been found difficult if not impossible to strain out what was releasable from that which was not releasable.

COLONEL BOOTH stated that if there was any objection from a security angle, that he agreed JANIS should not be released. However, if the classified material could be separated, he felt that it might be desirable. He also brought up that the lack of space for live storage of spare copies was a reason for recommending the proposed distribution at an early date.

ADMIRAL INGLIS said he had not realized this was a factor, but thought that storage space could be found, and affirmed that he felt JANIS should not be passed on to anybody but government agencies. He suggested JTS should make a study of the number of spare copies on hand, the possibilities for stowage of those copies in some convenient place, not necessarily in Washington, and submit their recommendations as to the number which should be retained, and the number which should be destroyed if necessary, but he was opposed to destruction of any of them.

GENERAL CHAMBERLIN suggested that JIC suspend action on this paper until the JTS survey is made.

After further discussion,

THE JOINT INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE:

1. Disapproved the recommendations that JANIS be given to geographic and other professions*.
2. Agreed to study reclassification of these documents to insure their maximum use by agencies of the U. S. Government.
3. Agreed to investigate the number that are available for distribution to government agencies.
4. Agreed to make further survey to determine the disposition of the remainder.

*Edited

JCS Declassification/Release Instructions on File